



WASTE REPORT for March 21, 2016

And the Champion of Government Waste is...

Illegal Immigrants' Business Plans!!!! After four intense rounds of voting, [Illegal Immigrants' Business Plans](#) emerged as **the Champion of Government Waste**. After surviving a close second round matchup against the [Afghan Cricket League](#), Illegal Immigrant's Business Plans easily knocked off #1 seed, [Paying to Send Pakistani Kids to Space Camp](#), to advance to the finals. In a back and forth, barn burner of a final round, Illegal Immigrants' Business Plans prevailed 52% to 48% over [Millionaires in Public Housing](#).

This was the first year of *The Waste Report's*, Tournament of Government Waste, where we pitted 16 of the worst examples of government waste against each other, and let you decide which was the most egregious.

The champion, Illegal Immigrant Business Plans was the subject of the January 4th, 2016 *Waste Report*. You will recall that the **Inter-America Foundation** spent \$50,000 in El Salvador to help aid returning deportees start businesses there. The Inter-American Foundation sought to clarify that the program was not "intended" to aid criminal deportees (those convicted of crimes in the U.S.) but did not rule out the possibility. It is no wonder such a program was chosen by the voters as the best (or maybe worst) example of government waste in this year's tournament.

These and many more examples of federal boondoggles can be found at [Senator Paul](#) and the [Federal Spending Oversight Subcommittee's](#) websites, where we've chronicled 46 federal boondoggles totaling more than \$1.12 billion. To put that number in prospective, it took the total one-year tax liability of 155,700 average Americans to fund this waste.

